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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

HIDEO ANDO ET AL. : GROUP ART UNIT: 2161

SERIAL NO. 09/911,462

FILED: JULY 25, 1999 : EXAMINER:

FOR: RECORDING, EDIT, AND PLAYBACK METHODS OF AUDIO INFORMATION,

AND INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel Claim 1, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 30-35, as follows:

30. (New) An information storage medium comprising:

an audio recording area configured to store audio information of one or more tunes or one or more pieces of music in unit of a given track, and

a still picture recording area configured to store one or more pieces of still picture information relating to said audio information, and

a management area configured to store management information with respect to the track of said audio information,

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Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.

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- □ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- □ Additional documents filed herewith:

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